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Military effects, gilt and braid; made of beautiful, thick broadcloth and lined with white satin; this is a new style.

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Beautiful models in pearl gray, chamois, tan and the popular "wine"; military trimmed with jet buttons.

SHOT DOWN WHILE ATTEMPTING TO SAVE WIFE'S GOOD NAME

Evidence Before Coroner's Jury Brings Out Fact That Conway, Who Killed Torrence, Had Met Murdered Man's Wife at Improper Resorts and That They Had Been Drunk Together.

Mrs. Goldie C. Torrence, of 111 North Twenty-ninth Street, widow of Robert E. Torrence, who was shot Saturday afternoon by James Conway, who now awaits trial on a murder warrant, yesterday testified at the coroner's inquest, the incidents which led to her husband's visit to the saloon at 706 East Broad Street, and told graphically of her relations with her husband. The widow, now scarcely more than twenty-two years old, entered the jury room heavily veiled, and hesitatingly swore to tell the truth concerning her actions.

While the woman was giving her testimony in the basement of the City Hall, the father, mother, brothers and sisters of the dead man, who gave his life in defense of her honor, were making the last arrangements for his funeral, which took place yesterday from the home at 2118 West Main Street. Mrs. Torrence's evidence was scarcely more than a corroboration of statements made at the inquest by Mrs. Andrew Gentry, her lifelong friend, through whom she was introduced to Conway and to Hugh Fairlamb. As far as is known, Mrs. Torrence never saw either man except when the four were present.

Wife Bared Her Deeds.

In her sworn statements Mrs. Torrence bared her deeds, and explained her actions by saying she did not think her husband knew of her intimate relations with the men. She acknowledged that she had met the men after phoning to them, and that she had taken drinks while in their company. Mrs. Gentry was far more free in her expressions, some of which are not contained in the coroner's report. She was Mrs. Torrence's friend, and her acknowledgments were that she had seen Conway alone, and that she had been to many different places with him to get drinks. She blamed Mrs. Torrence for the renewal of her relations, although the statement was modified by the explanation that she had done everything of her own accord, and against the wishes of her husband.

While Mrs. Gentry did not show outward emotion, Mrs. Torrence was terrified by the couple, and when she found herself, and shuddered when Mrs. Gentry's statements were read for her approval.

The hearing was attended by H. M. Smith, of counsel for the defense, and by Major Louis Werner, who looked

after the interests of the Commonwealth.

Was Killed by Conway. Without specifying causes, and with no reference to incidents, the coroner's jury at 2 o'clock yesterday finished its examination, however, it was brought in the following verdict:

"Robert E. Torrence came to his death by a wound inflicted by a pistol in the hands of James Conway, October 16, 1939."

The inquest, if any, which has hitherto surrounded the purpose of Torrence's visit to Conway's saloon was cleared up when the dead man's wife testified that she had known James Conway, and had met him with Mrs. Andrew Gentry and Hugh Fairlamb several times previously. One significant fact in Mrs. Gentry's testimony is that she was invariably escorted by Conway, while Fairlamb was always Mrs. Torrence's companion. Mrs. Gentry testified that she had not seen him for more than a year until three weeks ago.

Andrew Gentry, husband of the witness who preceded him on the stand, told Torrence's first visit to Fairlamb last Saturday morning, as near as he could remember it, between 8 and 9 o'clock. "I approached Fairlamb first," he said, "and introduced Torrence." Torrence asked him to be his wife, and received the reply that he did not. Later Fairlamb acknowledged having met her, but said he had never known her intimately. Torrence asked the time of meeting, and was told that it was on Friday afternoon of last week at the Fair Grounds.

Torrence told him then, showing

him five pistol cartridges, that he hoped he was telling the truth, but that if he found he was lying he would burn him. Torrence wanted to go immediately to Conway's saloon. I would not go, and we went to his brother's saloon, on West Cary Street. There we separated. I did not know of his visit at night until I heard of the shooting. Gentry did not know of the relations between Fairlamb or Conway and Torrence's wife, although he stated the purpose of his visit by saying he was looking after his own interests.

Testimony of the Wife. Mrs. Torrence, who was waiting in the office of the Chief of Police, was sent for. She entered the jury-room heavily veiled, but she uncovered her face during Coroner Taylor's examination. Mrs. Torrence's testimony was virtually a corroboration of what Mrs. Gentry had said, except that she asserted she had never telephoned for Conway, but that she had been with Gentry's request. She stated that she had been with the men and woman on several occasions, and emphasized that she had always done so for the purpose of drinking.

The wife testified that the husband was of a very jealous nature, and recalled a difficulty he had with a man at the Reservoir summer before last. Torrence was arrested for assault and the case was added to the Police Court. When asked whether or not she had ever done anything to make her husband jealous the woman replied that she had not.

"But you think he had a right to be jealous if you were running around with other men?" asked the coroner.

"I don't think he knew anything about that," she replied.

Mrs. Torrence denied that she knew the reputation of her husband, and stated that in each case the four were never out of sight or hearing of each other. The witness shuddered when Mrs. Gentry's statement that she had read, but after hesitation, said: "I never kissed him but once. In Petersburg we did not take anything to drink, and although we went to a hotel, we did not go to the same room. My trouble with my husband in the past has not been continuous, but we have quarreled now and then."

Mrs. Torrence was excused, and the inquest ended with the testimony of Police Constable Dufty, who arrested Conway, that he had searched Torrence and that he was not armed.

LICENSES EIGHT COUPLES TO WED

Hustings Court Clerk Is Kept Busy Issuing Licenses to Successful Beaux.

Marriage licenses were issued in the clerk's office of the Hustings Court yesterday to eight couples, and the record of the past four months. It is an unusual occurrence to have eight couples secure the privilege of matrimony in a single day, but the most astonishing fact is that none of the applicants were colored people. There is now an unbroken string of thirteen licenses for white people on Clerk Christian's book.

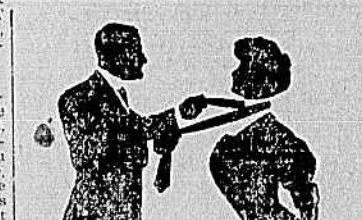
"Wednesday is the 'weddingest' day of the week anywhere," surmised Deputy Breeden, who generally issues the certificates at \$1 per, "and it generally keeps me busy writing on this particular day in each week." One of the licenses issued yesterday was to a widower, but the other fifteen persons are venturing on the Sea of Matrimony for the first time. Strangely, too, the sixteen are all residents of Richmond, which may be considered a compliment to the local beaux.

The licenses were issued to the following couples: John Bailey and Jennie Tyler; George A. Bowers and Hebe V. Meanley; James Duncan Clayton and Fannie Nelson Cook; Fred V. Holloway and Grace Kappes; Ernest W. Brilly and Rena Ball; George C. Criddle and Sallie Gray Carter; Louis A. Boschen and Minnie L. Metzger; and Arthur L. Stover, McGee and Clara A. Perkins. The ceremonies took place yesterday, except that of Mr. Boschen and Miss Metzger, which will be celebrated today.

The husbands gave their occupations as follows: Laborer, carpenter, machinist, clerk, printer and post-office clerk.

Missionary Meetings. At 11 o'clock this morning a missionary meeting will be held at the Methodist church, 200 W. Cary Street. This meeting will be held in the interest of preaching the gospel in Korea and China. At 4 o'clock P. M. a service will be held for divine healing, and at 8 P. M. there will be a Bible meeting at the mission.

Merchants to Meet. The Retail Merchants' Association will meet to-night at 8:15 o'clock at the Elks Club. A business session will be held and will follow a banquet. A large attendance of the members is expected, as it is the desire of the association to lay plans at this meeting for the fall campaign.



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C & O. FRANCIS PREFER CHARGES AGAINST LEWIS

Grand Jury Will Probably Investigate Alleged Malfeasance of Henrico County Magistrate.

Before Judge R. Carter Scott, of the Henrico County Circuit Court, yesterday morning verbal charges of malfeasance and gross incompetency were preferred against Magistrate James T. Lewis by Deputy Sheriff R. Taylor and Constable C. O. Burich. The charges were preferred on the basis of a letter from the board of directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, which was received yesterday by the board of directors of the Henrico County Circuit Court. The charges were preferred by John P. Branch and others.

The telegram reads: "New York, October 20. Messrs. Hawley, Shonts, Black, Taylor, Berwin, Traizer, Mackie and I voted at dinner last night to send you this morning this joint telegram, asking you to convey to our friends in Richmond, particularly to John P. Branch and Major Dyer, a warm and hearty appreciation of their great hospitality yesterday. All the members of our party voted it a most enjoyable occasion, and we hope that cordial co-operation between the people of Virginia and ourselves may long continue."

DIXIE GRAYS CHANGE NAME

Company of Young Men Now Known as Metropolitan Guards.

Raising the standard of size in the company to a minimum of five feet five inches and of age to a minimum of sixteen years, the Dixie Grays has also changed its name to the Metropolitan Guards. It is now believed that the company of young men is up to the government standard, ready to undergo official inspection.

Regulation uniforms have been ordered and will be worn by the company on the first Tuesday in November, when the next regular drill will be had.

Following are the officers of the company: E. G. Tucker, captain; H. H. French, first lieutenant; C. H. Carter, second lieutenant; J. G. Morris, quartermaster sergeant; E. A. Fairlamb, first sergeant; H. P. Smithers, second sergeant; and H. P. Smithers, sergeant; R. L. Robins, first corporal; Basine, second corporal.

NICHOLAS AT LARGE

Negro Indicted for Murder, Fails to Answer Summons of Court.

James Nicholas (colored), wanted here on an indictment for murder, was called in the Hustings Court yesterday when it was explained that he occupied the day following the death of Edward Evans (colored), who was shot on June 28, 1936. The crime was committed in a pool room on West Broad Street.

William Henry Pollard, arrested as an enemy of the public, and held in the city, is being held in jail, and will be tried November 26. It is claimed that Pollard has been in the city since June, but will probably be given a hearing if Nicholas is still at large when the next term of court convenes.

Richmond's Delegation Departs. Henry W. Wood, John A. Cutchins and W. T. Dabney left last night to represent the city at the convention of the League of Trade to be held at Roanoke, beginning to-day. The commission form of government will be the chief topic, and discussion, and it is expected that Mr. Cutchins, who took part in presenting the report from the Richmond city Council Committee on Changes in the Form of Government, will explain that report or some phases of the commission problem to the convention.

Lectures at Beth Abrahah. Professor J. C. McCall, of Richmond College, will deliver a series of lectures this fall and winter under the auspices of the League of Trade, in charge of a committee of the ladies' auxiliary, of which Mrs. E. N. Calhoun is chairman. The first of ten lectures on "Great Dramatic and German Dramatic" will be given in the assembly room of Beth Abrahah Temple tomorrow afternoon 8:30 o'clock.

SPEAKERS FOR LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

Some of Topics to Be Discussed at Saturday's Great Convention.

Many phases of the Laymen's Movement will be discussed by the great Laymen's convention, which will be in session here from Saturday until Tuesday. Some of the topics to be handled and those who will speak on them are given below:

"America's World Responsibility," by J. Campbell White, of New York, general secretary of the movement; "The Field is the World," by Moray Williams, prominent corporation lawyer of New York, chairman of the New York child labor committee and manager of the Evangelical Alliance of the United States; "The Mission, Boards and the National Campaign," by Rev. R. J. Williamson, D. D., "The Pastor and the Evangelist," by Dr. J. H. Williams, of Baltimore, who has traveled around the world investigating foreign missions; "The Stewardship of Life," by Colonel E. W. Hafford, U. S. A.

Among the experts on the foreign aspect of the movement who will speak are three missionaries who have just returned from China—Rev. H. L. Park, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, S. W. Brown and Rev. H. P. Williams, of the Baptist Church, and George B. Woodward, of the United Methodist Church, who has just returned from India, will talk on "Men of the Kingdom."

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WILL RETURN TO GIRL HE DESERTED

William Griffin, Tired of Hiding, Now Agrees to Make Orphan His Bride.

TRACKED BY DETECTIVES

Miss Berge's Uncle Reaches Richmond and Warrant for Fugitive Is Issued.

His secret having been disclosed and whereabouts made known to the police authorities of his native town, William Griffin, twenty years old, formerly of Versailles, a suburb of Meekesport, Pa., who has enjoyed freedom in this city since June 20 last, was arrested here yesterday morning at 9 o'clock by the local detective department. Circumstances surrounding the conditions under which Griffin left home indicate that he is wanted in his native State for wrecking the home of Miss Kate Berge, an orphan, who was left eight years ago, at the death of her mother, with the custody of the household of her father, who was killed in 1907.

Griffin, it is alleged, was engaged to the young woman, now eighteen years old, and was to marry her in a ceremony skipped out to the date of the wedding. Griffin had been located more than two weeks ago, and that since then he had been carefully shadowed and had been given no opportunity to leave.

Lieting, when brought face to face with the fugitive, positively identified him, and immediately swore out a warrant charging him with being a fugitive from justice.

"We have searched the country over," said Lieting, "and we have found no other credit in the world for caring for her three brothers and sisters, has not been the same since she was so badly deceived. We were so sure that she was under arrest, but when I got there I was disappointed. It was not the Griffin I was looking for. Time and again we have searched out clues that resulted in nothing."

Mr. Lieting said that he had been in comfortable circumstances. "If Griffin will go back with me, and will serve all the credit in the world for caring for her three brothers and sisters, has not been the same since she was so badly deceived. We were so sure that she was under arrest, but when I got there I was disappointed. It was not the Griffin I was looking for. Time and again we have searched out clues that resulted in nothing."

Police Wrote of Case. The first information received of Griffin's residence here was contained in a letter from a police official in Meekesport. This letter stated that the Berge girl was known in the community as a lovely, hard-working, trustworthy person, who deserved the protection of the law, and who had been promised aid by many influential and wealthy citizens in the Pennsylvania city.

"It is one of the most pitiful cases we have ever had brought to our attention," wrote the official. "This girl, when ten years old, was left to care for a brother and two younger sisters. The father worked in the mines, and sometimes pays no wages. He and his wife were kind to them, and the girl never complained of hardships. In 1907 the father was killed in a mine disaster, and the daughter and her brother, a boy in his early teens, undertook to earn the support of the four."

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CANDIDATES ARE BUSILY AT WORK

State Committeemen Solicited for Support in To-Morrow's Meeting.

DANIEL IS NOT COMING

Appointment for Friday Night Recalled—Campaigning in Southwest.

Members of the Democratic State Committee will begin to arrive in Richmond to-night to attend the meeting to be held to-morrow to nominate a candidate for Secretary of the Commonwealth to succeed the late D. Q. Eggleston. Promptly upon their arrival they will be seen by the various candidates and their friends. However, this will not be their first collision with the situation, for they have been bombarded for the last day or two with letters and telegrams soliciting their votes for one aspirant or another.

It was stated yesterday positively that Colonel W. W. Sale, of Norfolk, is a candidate for the position. A telegram received in the afternoon put all doubt as to this headstrong sale. It is generally believed, has far more than a fighting chance for the position. He is well-known to the members of the State Committee.

Colonel Robert Catlett was at his office yesterday, having returned from Charlotte, where he was in attendance at the funeral services of Mr. Eggleston. Colonel Catlett said that he was in no sense a candidate for the position, and would make no fight for it. This statement, however, apparently did not deter his friends from discussing his nomination.

Chief Clerk J. G. Hankins, of the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office, was also in the city yesterday for the place. He has communicated with every member of the committee.

Between 2,000 and 15,000 letters are being mailed from Democratic State headquarters urging the voters to appear at the meeting to vote for Secretary of the Commonwealth. These letters are being sent to all county committeemen, and an average of ten to twenty in every one of the more than 1,000 precincts in the State. The entire office force, headed by Hunter Mann, is at work on this important matter.

Daniel Will Not Speak Here. The appointment for Senator John W. Daniel in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel Friday night, which was definitely withdrawn. It became impossible for the senator to attend on account of the illness of his wife, who is now in the hospital. The appointment with another prominent speaker, but in view of the meeting to-morrow of the State committee, and the fact that Mr. Daniel will be in session until night, it was deemed better policy to cancel the engagement.

However, the three speeches arranged for next week will stand. These include a meeting at Corcoran Hall to-morrow night, at 8 o'clock, with Judge R. W. Duke, of Charlottesville, as the speaker. Thursday night, when Governor Swanson and Hon. Henry C. Stuart will deliver addresses, and on Friday night, when Senator Eggleston will speak at the Academy of Music in this city.

Speaker Saturday Night. Captain William P. Kent, the Republican candidate for Governor, was in Richmond yesterday, and spoke at Ashland last night. To-night, with Congressman Duncan B. McKinlay, of California, he will speak at Danville; to-morrow afternoon at Rocky Mount and to-morrow night at Roanoke. On Saturday night these speakers will be at the Academy of Music in this city.

Governor at Barboursville. Governor John Lamb will speak to-day at a barbecue at Lanexa, on the Chesapeake and Ohio, between Richmond and Washington, and will return to the city late this afternoon.

Martin and Mann in Southwest. A. H. Williams, of Wytheville, came to Richmond yesterday. He heard the addresses in that town Tuesday by Judge Mann and Senator Martin, beginning their tour of the Southwest. The opera house at Wytheville was crowded with an enthusiastic audience, and it is believed that a splendid impression was made. Mr. Williams was much pleased with the success of the meeting.

Judge Mann speaks at Big Stone Gap to-night. At Wise to-morrow afternoon, at Gate City Saturday afternoon, at Galax Monday afternoon and at Salem Tuesday night.

Congressman Flood spends to-day and to-morrow in Botetourt county, speaking at several points.

fin will probably not be taken back to Pennsylvania before to-morrow. Whether or not an officer will accompany him depends on instructions received.

Griffin Will Marry Her. Griffin was seen by a reporter for the Times-Dispatch in his cell at the Second Police Station last night. He made the following statement: "I am tired of hiding and am homesick. I love Katie, and will marry her. I can't tell why I ran away, but I am sorry for it. I have been in Richmond nearly all the time since I left, and came here because there were several people here who knew me. I am willing to return with Mr. Lieting and will not try to escape."

If Griffin carries out his promises it is more than probable that Mr. Lieting will be instrumental in having the felony charge dismissed, although whether or not this democracy will be allowed depends largely on the attitude taken by the police. He is said to have borne a good reputation before his disappearance. It is unusual, for a man charged with a crime to be sent from one State to another except in charge of an officer.

TAFT DAY PLANS BEING PERFECTED

Parade Promises to Be One of Most Attractive Ever Seen Here.